



# News Release

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### **Hornbrook Agricultural Inspection Station Temporary Closure**

REDDING – Due to the current fiscal year budget cuts, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) has been unable to fully staff its Hornbrook Agricultural Inspection Station located on Interstate 5, four miles south of the Oregon border. As a result, the inspection station has been forced to reduce vehicle inspection operations to commercial trucks only. Because the existing freeway signing and striping directs all traffic off of the freeway into the inspection facility, non-commercial vehicles have been required to exit the freeway and pass through unmanned auto inspection bays. California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and CDFA have agreed to proceed with modifications so that only specific vehicles need to exit the freeway for inspection.

On Tuesday, March 2, 2004 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Caltrans Maintenance Crews out of Redding and Yreka will perform signing and striping work to implement the change to the inspection station operations. Beginning at 9:30 am, the facility will be closed for operation to all vehicle traffic. Southbound traffic will bypass the inspection station on the old freeway alignment until the work is complete. After the changes are made, only commercial trucks and vehicles transporting livestock, wildlife and plants will be required to exit the freeway for inspection. All other traffic will continue to bypass the facility on the old alignment.

If inclement weather should be forecast for Tuesday, the operation would be moved ahead one day to Monday, March 1, 2004, weather permitting.

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